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## **ELECTION AND REMARKS**

In the Office Action, the Examiner indicated that the Applicant must elect a single species for prosecution. The Examiner identified the following species:

- 1) Inner and outer cover layers made from a first material having different properties than the intermediate layer.
- 2) Intermediate layer made from a first material having different properties than the inner and outer cover layer.

For continuing the prosecution on the merits, Applicant elects Species 1 and claims 1-10, drawn to golf ball product. It is the Applicant's belief that at least claims 1-10 read on this species, with at least claims 1 being deemed generic. This species is directed to a golf ball having the foamed polymer in the intermediate layer only.

Consequently, claims 11-19 have been cancelled from consideration on the patentability of the generic subject matter. However, Applicant reserves the right to file one or more continuing and/or divisional applications directed to any subject matter not claimed in the current application.

## Conclusion

Based on the remarks set forth above, Applicant believes that the claims of the subject application are acceptable for consideration on the merits. Should the Examiner have any further concerns or believe that a discussion with Applicant's agent would further the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to call the agent at the number below.

No fee is believed to be due for this submission. However, if a fee is required, please charge the required fee to Acushnet Company Deposit Account No. 502309.

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